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PREFACE

The Montana Legislative Services Division provides information resources for legislators and other interested persons both during and after a legislative session. These resources are designed to help people locate legislation, committee testimony, and codified statutes and include the telephone directory, bill status reports from drafting to final vote, a subject index of proposed legislation, lists of code sections affected by passage of legislation, etc.

This brochure provides a brief introduction to the various sources of information published by the Montana Legislative Services Division.

During the legislative session, the Legislative Information Office is open in the Capitol to help people with questions. Legislative information is also available by phone at 1-406-444-4800. Several computer terminals in the Capitol provide access to the latest information on introduced bills, and information is available through the State Bulletin Board System (BBS) and the Internet. The State BBS may be accessed by local Helena callers at 444-5648, by other callers in Montana toll-free at 1-800-962-1729, and by out-of-state callers at 1-406-444-5648.

For more information on any part of this brochure, contact the Montana Legislative Services Division, Room 138, State Capitol, Helena, Montana 59620-1706, phone 1-406-444-3064.

MONTANA LEGISLATIVE SERVICES DIVISION:
ORGANIZATION, OVERVIEW, AND STAFF DIRECTORY

This brochure describes the history and functions of the Montana Legislative Services Division. It includes a listing of current Legislative Services Division personnel and an organizational chart and is available free through Legislative Services while supplies last.

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RULES OF THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE

The Joint Rules, Senate Rules, House Rules, and an index to those rules are printed, along with the Montana Constitution and its index, in the Rules of the Montana Legislature. The U.S. Constitution is included. This booklet also gives a brief listing, with the corresponding rule number, of deadlines and time limitations for the session.

The booklet is published each legislative session and is available early in January for a nominal charge from the Distribution Center.

CHAPTER 10

Administration

10-10. Time of meeting. Each house may order its time of meeting.

10-20. Legislative day — duration. (1) If either house is in session on a given day, that day constitutes a legislative day.

(2) A legislative day for a house ends either 24 hours after that house convenes for the day or at the time the house convenes for the following legislative day, whichever is earlier.

10-30. Schedules. The presiding officer of each house shall coordinate its schedule to accommodate the workload of the other house.

10-40. Adjournment — recess — meeting place. A house may not, without the consent of the other, adjourn or recess for more than 3 days or to any place other than that in which the two houses are sitting (Montana Constitution, Art. V, Sec. 10(5)).

10-50. Access of press. Subject to the presiding officer's discretion on issues of decorum and order, an accredited press representative may not be prohibited from photographing, televising, or recording a legislative meeting or hearing.

10-60. Conflict of interest. A member who has a personal or private interest in any measure or bill proposed or pending before the Legislature shall disclose the fact to the house to which the member belongs.

CATALOG OF PUBLICATIONS AND
INTERIM STUDY FINAL REPORTS

This leaflet contains a bibliography of all Legislative Services Division (formerly Legislative Council) research study reports from 1957 to the present. It is supplemented by a list of reports from the current interim and is updated in March of each session year. The leaflet is free and is available through Legislative Services.

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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

The Telephone Directory is published each session by U.S. West and is a valuable, pocket-sized information source. It contains the names of Senate and House members, along with their political affiliation, district number, home address, Internet address if available, spouse's name, business occupation, and committee assignments. Also included in the directory are names of state officials and agencies; legislative committee meeting days, with times and places; seating charts; orders of business; and maps.

This directory is free and is available from the Legislative Information Office and Legislative Services.

MEMBERS OF THE 1995 MONTANA LEGISLATURE

Senate District No. 1
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Gerry Devlin (R)

Senate District No. 3
Reiny Jabs (R)

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Royal C. Johnson (R)

House District No. 11
Thomas E. Nelson (R)

House District No. 12
Loren L. Soft (R)

House District No. 13
Joan Hurdle (D)

House District No. 14
John C. Bohlinger (R)

House District No. 15
Daniel C. Fuchs (R)

House District No. 16
Jay Stovall (R)

A LEGISLATOR'S HANDBOOK

The publication A Legislator's Handbook provides an overview of the operations of the Legislature, legislative service agencies, and state government. Included are chapters on centralized services, legislative interns and aids, and lobbying and lobbyists. Procedures of standing committees, how a bill becomes law, the 12 orders of business, and fiscal note requirements are also reviewed.

Copies of this free publication are available from Legislative Services while supplies last.

CHAPTER V

INTERIM ACTIVITY

The regular biennial legislative session occupies only about one-sixth of the lifespan of a Legislature. The members do not escape from legislative responsibilities, however, during the 20 months until the convening of a new Legislature. In addition to special sessions that called the entire Legislature to Helena several times in recent years, numerous statutory committees, interim study committees, and national legislative research organizations have kept many members' attention and energy focused on between-sessions work. This chapter provides an overview of those interim activities.

STUDY COMMITTEES

The formation and function of an interim committee were explained a number of years ago by Robert Person, then director of the Legislative Council's Research and Reference Services Division, in the Interim Directory of Legislative Committees. These details are excerpted from that explanation and are still apropos:

> Inception of an Interim Study Subcommittee
>
> A study is first requested in a Joint Resolution adopted by the Legislature. Section 5-5-217, MCA, requires the Legislative Council to prepare a list of study resolutions adopted and distribute it to all the legislators for their votes on priority of study immediately after the session. Following the requirements of the same section of law, after prioritization, the Legislative Council designates the subcommittees to which studies are to be assigned, and the Speaker and the Committee on Committees then appoint members. Section 5-5-211, MCA, provides that four members of each house be appointed. No more than two members from a house may be from one political party.

The Bill Drafting Manual sets forth uniform standards and instructions on bill drafting. It includes information on the mechanics, style, and technique of drafting bills, resolutions, amendments, and referendums. Sample bills and resolutions, plus a bill drafter checklist, are included.

This publication is free and is available from Legislative Services.

Chapter 2

Style and Language

2-1. Introduction.

Bills should be written in a simple, clear, and direct style, phrased for the common reader as well as for the political or legal expert.

A poorly drafted, ambiguous bill will waste the time of citizens affected, confuse those charged with its administration, lead to litigation, and likely fail to accomplish the purpose of the requestor. Good drafting requires concise wording that is understandable by a person who has no special knowledge of the subject.

If wording in a bill has to be paraphrased to make it intelligible to a nonexpert, it needs revising. In Montana, the common-law tradition has manifested itself in the timeworn, nonessential phrases and rhetorical flourishes found in our older legislative enactments. The suggestions contained in this chapter are designed to help the drafter avoid the most common faults in style and language evident in some of our present law.

As authority for basic rules of writing, the Legislative Services Division uses the latest edition of the *United States Government Printing Office Style Manual* and the *Gregg Reference Manual, Seventh Edition*, by William A. Sabin. Compounding of words is done according to the *Style Manual* and according to agency guidelines.

Generally, the ordinary rules of grammar apply to legislative writing; however, in a few instances a departure from common usage is followed.

BILL DRAFTING REQUEST REPORT

Bill drafting request forms are filed in the Legislative Services legal office. The requests are assigned a bill draft (LC) number, which becomes the identifying number throughout the drafting and input stages. Information from the bill draft request form is used to produce the Bill Drafting Request Report.

The report is printed in four parts: the Subject Report, the Requestor Report, the By Request of a Committee or Agency Report, and the Drafter Report. Entries in each of the four reports include the LC number, bill number, short title, requestor, sponsor, subject code, and drafter.

Copies of the Bill Drafting Request Report are available for use in the Legislative Services offices, the Legislative Library, and at the Distribution Center as well as on the State BBS. The report may be purchased from the Distribution Center, with the price set according to the number of pages.

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               "A" - APPROPRIATION              "S" - STUDY RESOLUTION
            "HOLD" - REQUEST ON HOLD         "CANC" - REQUEST CANCELED

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INTRODUCED, THE CORRESPONDING BILL NUMBER IS DISPLAYED.
--THE REQUESTOR OF A BILL DRAFT MAY DIFFER FROM THE SPONSOR OF THE BILL.
--IF A SHORT TITLE IS INSIDE PARENTHESIS, THEN THE PRELIMINARY BILL DRAFT
IS NOT FINISHED.
--IF "HOLD" IS DISPLAYED IN THE "BILL #" COLUMN, THE REQUEST HAS BEEN
TEMPORARILY PLACED ON HOLD IN THE DRAFTING PROCESS.  A REQUEST CAN
BE PLACED ON HOLD FOR ANY OF SEVERAL REASONS.
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LC #        BILL #  DATE REQ  REQUESTOR                DRAFTER
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LC   1              03/24/95  BROOKE, VIVIAN           LANE, VALENCIA
   DECRIMINALIZE HOMOSEXUAL ACTIVITY

LC   2              04/12/95  BROOKE, VIVIAN           NISS, DAVID
   ALLOW VICTIMS OF ABUSE TO HAVE ADDRESS DELETED FROM PRECINCT REGISTER
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CODE SECTIONS AFFECTED

MCA Code Sections Affected by Bills & LCs

During the session, a report is generated (on approximately a weekly basis) that lists all code sections that may be repealed or amended. Bill drafters use this list to avoid conflicts, correct redundancies, and solve problems. The printout is available for use in the Legislative Services main office or the Legislative Library and may be purchased from the Distribution Center.

SECTIONS AFFECTED REPORT (Printed: June 15, 1995)

1-2-112	SB0135.ENR	Amend	2-4-102	SB0345.ENR	Amend
1-2-113	SB0135.ENR	Amend	2-4-305	HB0022.ENR	Amend
1-2-201	SB0001.ENR	Amend	2-4-305	SB0105.ENR	Amend
1-5-205	SB0001.ENR	Rep	2-4-306	SB0105.ENR	Amend
1-11-101	HB0417.ENR	Amend	2-4-401	SB0398.ENR	Amend
1-11-201	HB0377.01	Amend	2-4-702	HB0414.ENR	Amend
1-11-201	SB0398.ENR	Amend	2-6-109	HB0058.01	Amend
1-11-301	HB0023.ENR	Amend	2-6-109	HB0325.ENR	Amend
1-11-302	SB0001.ENR	Amend	2-6-109	HB0556.ENR	Amend
1-11-303	SB0398.ENR	Amend	2-6-110	HB0023.ENR	Amend
1-13-101	SB0398.ENR	Rep	2-6-110	SB0126.ENR	Amend
1-13-102	SB0398.ENR	Rep	2-6-402	HB0282.ENR	Amend
1-13-103	SB0398.ENR	Rep	2-6-403	HB0129.01	Amend
1-13-105	SB0398.ENR	Rep	2-6-403	HB0282.ENR	Amend
1-13-111	HB0377.01	Amend	2-7-503	HB0530.ENR	Amend

Code Sections Affected List

After the session is completed, a Code Sections Affected List is generated that lists in code title order all code section numbers that were enacted, repealed, amended, or renumbered. This list is published as part of the Legislative Review and the Session Laws.

Title-Ch.-Sec.	Action	Chapter	Bill #
1-1-510	enacted	Ch. 319	HB 376
1-2-112	amended	Ch. 416	SB 135
1-2-113	amended	Ch. 416	SB 135
1-2-114	enacted	Ch. 416	SB 135
1-2-115	enacted	Ch. 416	SB 135
1-2-116	enacted	Ch. 496	SB 324
1-2-201	amended	Ch. 18	SB 1
1-5-205	repealed	Ch. 18	SB 1
1-11-101	amended	Ch. 292	HB 417
1-11-201	amended	Ch. 545	SB 398
1-11-301	amended	Ch. 4	HB 23
1-11-302	amended	Ch. 18	SB 1
1-11-303	amended	Ch. 545	SB 398
1-13-101	repealed	Ch. 545	SB 398
1-13-102	repealed	Ch. 545	SB 398

BILLS

Each version of a bill, whether introduced, reported out of committee, passed by the chamber of origin, or approved by both chambers (plus all second-chamber amendments), is available for purchase through the Distribution Center. The price is set by the Legislative Council. The text of bills is also available for download from the State BBS. FTP access to bills over the Internet is also planned for the 1997 session.

Legislative Services keeps one copy of each reading version on file in Room 138 of the Capitol. Other copies are distributed to the Legislative Information Office, state agencies, public libraries, and County Clerk and Recorder offices.

54th Legislature SB0138.06

1 SENATE BILL NO. 138
2 INTRODUCED BY BAER, KEENAN, BENEDICT, BURNETT, DENNY, MOHL, HARGROVE, BRAINARD,
3 EMERSON, MESAROS, JORE, JENKINS, CRISMORE, ESTRADA, KEATING, FORBES, PECK,
4 COCCHIARELLA, PAVLOVICH, MURDOCK, BOHARSKI, VICK, WISEMAN, GREEN, MOLNAR,
5 HARRINGTON, MERCER, GRINDE, MCKEE, TAYLOR, AHNER, MILLS, L. SMITH, MARTINEZ, OHS,
6 SLITER, T. NELSON, STOVALL, SIMON, LARSON, R. JOHNSON, WELLS, MCGEE, KITZENBERG, ELLIS,
7 TREXLER, FUCHS, CLARK, BARNHART, SQUIRES, TUSS, ELLINGSON, SHEA, MENAHAN, RYAN,
8 SWANSON, CAREY, TROPILA, ELLIOTT, J. JOHNSON, WENNEMAR, HURDLE, HEAVY RUNNER,
9 HOLLAND, MCCULLOCH, MASOLO, BOHLINGER, LYNCH, JACOBSON, FORRESTER, CHRISTIAENS,
10 L. NELSON, JERGESON, COLE, MILLER, BROOKE, WELDON, VAN VALKENBURG, FRANKLIN,
11 PIPINICH, SPRAGUE, HARDING, FOSTER, HARP, GROSFIELD, BISHOP, HOLDEN
12 BY REQUEST OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS
13
14 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING LAWS CONCERNING ETHICS;
15 CHANGING ETHICAL GUIDELINES INTO REQUIREMENTS; REQUIRING LEGISLATORS TO DISCLOSE
16 INTERESTS RAISING THE APPEARANCE OF IMPROPRIETY AND TO ~~REFRAIN FROM VOTING ON CERTAIN~~
17 VOTE ON ~~ALL~~ MATTERS AS PROVIDED IN LEGISLATIVE RULES; ~~PROHIBITING~~ PROVIDING
18 REQUIREMENTS FOR A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ~~WHO IS A LEGISLATOR FROM RECEIVING BOTH SALARIES~~
19 ~~WHILE SERVING IN THE LEGISLATURE~~, PUBLIC OFFICER, OR LEGISLATOR TO RECEIVE MORE THAN ONE
20 PUBLIC SALARY FOR OVERLAPPING HOURS OF EMPLOYMENT; PROHIBITING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND
21 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FROM USING PUBLIC TIME, EQUIPMENT, FACILITIES, SUPPLIES, PERSONNEL, OR
22 FUNDS ~~TO PROMOTE POLITICAL IDEOLOGY OR TO INFLUENCE A POLITICAL ISSUE; AND~~ FOR ANY
23 ~~POLITICAL OR~~ CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY ~~PERSUADING OR AFFECTING A POLITICAL DECISION UNLESS THE~~
24 ~~USE IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR PROPERLY INCIDENTAL TO ANOTHER ACTIVITY REQUIRED OR~~

HOUSE AND SENATE AGENDAS

The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives prepare the daily agendas of bills to be debated in their respective Committee of the Whole. The agendas list the bill number, sponsor, short title, and which report is to be considered (second reading, third reading, conference committee amendments, Governor's amendments, etc.).

In addition, second and third reading information can be found online through the Bill Status Inquiry System. Checking the status of a specific bill will reveal whether or not that bill is scheduled for second or third reading.

The agendas are available at no cost from the Legislative Information Office, the Secretary of the Senate, or the Chief Clerk of the House. Bill status terminals are located in several areas of the Capitol for easy access.

MONTANA STATE SENATE

The Big Sky Country

MAR. 22, 1995
LEGISLATIVE DAY 66
CONVENES 12:30 P.M.

ORDER OF BUSINESS # 8--SECOND READING

1)	SB 33B #	JERGESON, GREG	EXEMPT FROM SEVERANCE TAX OIL AND GAS PRODUCED BY WELL DRILLED AFTER 3/31/95
2)	SB 366 #	COLE, MACK	GENERALLY REVISE MONTANA MAJOR FACILITY SITING ACT
3)	HB 84 #	STORY, ROBERT *(JABS, REINY)*	CLARIFY PLACEMENT OF DEFENDANTS SUFFERING FROM MENTAL DISEASE OR DEFECT
4)	HB 264 #	ELLIS, ALVIN *(BENEDICT, STEVE)*	REVISE UNFAIR LABOR LAW TO EXCLUDE WAGE INCREASE IN EXPIRED AGREEMENT
5)	HB 287 #	REAM, BOB *(VAN VALKENBURG, F.)*	CLARIFY PRIORITY DATE OF TAX LIEN CREATED BY WARRANT FOR DISTRAINT
6)	HB 464 * ##	HARPER, HAL *(JACOBSON, JUDY)*	ALLOW FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS DEPARTMENT TO INSPECT FISH PONDS
7)	HB 375 #	HARPER, HAL *(CRIPPEN, BRUCE)*	PROHIBIT POSSESSION AND TRANSPORT OF CERTAIN LIVE FISH AWAY FROM POINT TAKEN
8)	HB 157 * **	DENNY, MATT *(HOLDEN, RIC)*	LIFE SENTENCE AND LIFE REGISTRATION FOR SEX OFFENDERS

VOTES

Votes of the Committees of the Whole are kept by the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives during the session. Copies of these votes are available for use at the Legislative Information Office.

After session, votes are transferred to the Secretary of State's office. Votes are published in the History and Final Status and electronically in the House and Senate Journals. Copies of the votes are available in Room 138 of the Capitol. Legislative Council policy does not allow staff to provide voting record information over the telephone or by correspondence.

Votes of standing committees are available from the Legislative Information Office or the committee secretaries during the session. After session, committee minutes, votes, and tapes are transferred to the Montana Historical Society Archives. Copies of the minutes are available in the Legislative Library, the State Law Library, and depository libraries throughout the state.

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
54TH LEGISLATURE
1995 REGULAR SESSION
VOTE TABULATION

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BILL SP: OHS

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ORDER OF BUSINESS 8 3RD READING
3RD READING D/CONCUR

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Y	ANDERSON	Y	HARRINGTON	Y	QUILICI
N	ARNOTT	Y	HAYNE	Y	RANEY
N	BARNETT	N	HEAVY RUNNER	Y	REAM
Y	BARNHART	Y	HERRON	N	REHBEIN
Y	BERGMAN	Y	HIBBARD	Y	ROSE
N	BERGSAGEL	Y	HOLLAND	Y	RYAN
A	BOHARSKI	Y	HURDLE	Y	SCHWINDEN
Y	BOHLINGER	Y	JOHNSON, J	Y	SHEA
N	BRAINARD	Y	JOHNSON, R	Y	SIMON
Y	CAREY	N	JORE	Y	SIMPKINS
N	CLARK	Y	KADAS	N	SLITER
Y	COBB	N	KASTEN	Y	SMITH, L
Y	COCCHIARELLA	N	KEENAN	N	SMITH, S
Y	CURTISS	Y	KITZENBERG	Y	SOFT
N	DeBRUYCKER	Y	KNOX	N	SOMERVILLE
N	DENNY	N	KOTTEL	Y	SQUIRES
Y	DEVANEY	Y	LARSON	N	STORY
Y	ELLINGSON	Y	MARSHALL	Y	STOVALL
Y	ELLIOTT	Y	MARTINEZ	Y	SWANSON

SUBJECT INDEX

As bills are introduced, a Subject Index is compiled and printed. This index, which is updated daily, lists all introduced bills under standard subject headings. Using this tool, a bill number can be easily located when only the subject of the bill is known.

The Subject Index is available for use in all Legislative Services offices. It can also be purchased at the Distribution Center. The price is set according to the number of pages. It is also available on the computerized Bill Status Inquiry System and the State BBS.

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ELECTRONICALLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION

Much of the information regarding session activities is also available electronically. The Bill Status Inquiry System and Internal Reference List are described in the following pages. Bill text and session information is available electronically on the State BBS. FTP access to bills over the Internet is planned for the 1997 session. After session, the Montana Code Annotated is published on a compact disk as well as in soft-bound books, on the State BBS, and on the Legislative website (http://www.mt.gov/leg/branch).

The Legislative Services Division produces a document called "Legislative Information Available to the Public", which details electronic sources of legislative information and how to access them. The 1997 session edition will be available in November 1996 and will be posted on the State BBS and the Legislative website.

Bill Status Inquiry System

During the regular legislative session, the status of legislation is available through the computerized Bill Status Inquiry System. Information on the system includes bill status data, standing committee hearing schedules (for either a specific committee or for a specific date), primary sponsor bill lists, and a subject list of bill draft requests and introduced bills. This information is also posted to the State BBS at the end of each legislative day. Plans are underway to also post this information to the Legislative website.

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                STATE OF MONTANA--BILL STATUS INQUIRY SYSTEM          IMLCP001
                          MAIN SELECTION SCREEN

 1- BILL STATUS OR BILL DRAFT STATUS

 2- HOUSE MEMBER BILL SPONSOR LIST
 3- SENATE MEMBER BILL SPONSOR LIST

 4- COMMITTEE HEARING SCHEDULE FOR A SPECIFIC COMMITTEE
 5- HOUSE COMMITTEE HEARING SCHEDULES FOR TODAY, OR FOR SOME FUTURE DATE
 6- SENATE COMMITTEE HEARING SCHEDULES FOR TODAY, OR FOR SOME FUTURE DATE

 7- INTRODUCED BILLS/UNINTRODUCED BILL REQUESTS BY SUBJECT

 8- SYSTEM INFORMATION

    TO EXIT SYSTEM, TYPE "OFF" IN OPTION NUMBER FIELD AND PRESS ENTER KEY.

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OPTIONAL: IF OPTION 7 SELECTED, YOU MAY TYPE IN THE FIRST FEW
          LETTERS OF THE SUBJECT HERE==> ______________________________
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Bill status data includes the bill number, sponsor, short title, and complete record of actions on the bill or resolution.

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                    STATE OF MONTANA--BILL STATUS INQUIRY SYSTEM          IMLCP009
BILL NO:  SB 0165              BILL STATUS SCREEN            LC NO:  LC 3008
   PROVIDE A DEADLINE FOR FILING OF AMENDED PETITION FOR POSTCONVICTION RELIEF
SPONSOR:  AKLESTAD, GARY                          REQUESTOR: AKLESTAD, GARY
BY REQUEST:                                         DRAFTER: MACMASTER, JOHN
* DATE *********** ACTION TAKEN *************** AYE  NO **** COMMITTEE ********
  1/24  (S) COM RPT-BILL PASSED AS AMENDED                (S) JUDICIARY

  1/25  (S) 2ND READING PASSED                     50

  1/26  (S) 3RD READING CONCURRED                  49

  1/26  (S) TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE

  1/27  (H) FIRST READING

  1/27  (H) REFERRED                                      (H) JUDICIARY

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                STATE OF MONTANA--BILL STATUS INQUIRY SYSTEM          IMLCP004
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01 AKLESTAD, G       35 DEVLIN, G        22 HARGROVE, D      33 MILLER, K
03 BAER, L           14 DOHERTY, S       39 HARP, J          37 MOHL, A
31 BARTLETT, S       08 ECK, D           40 HERTEL, J        50 NELSON, L
04 BECK, T           16 EMERSON, C A     24 HOLDEN, R        45 PIPINICH, B
05 BENEDICT, S       17 ESTRADA, S       25 JABS, R          43 SPRAGUE, M
06 BISHOP, A         36 FORRESTER, G     15 JACOBSON, J      23 STANG, B
02 BROOKE, V         18 FOSTER, M        28 JENKINS, L       46 SWYSGOOD, C
32 BROWN, B          20 FRANKLIN, E      30 JERGESON, G      47 TOEWS, D
07 BURNETT, J        21 GAGE, D          41 KEATING, T       26 TVEIT, L
09 CHRISTIAENS, C    12 GROSFIELD, L     42 KLAMPE, T        27 VAN VALKENBURG, F
10 COLE, M           13 HALLIGAN, M      19 LYNCH, J D       29 WATERMAN, M
34 CRIPPEN, B        38 HARDING, E       44 MESAROS, K       48 WELDON, J
11 CRISMORE, W                                               49 WILSON, W

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Each standing committee's hearing schedule is available on the computer system. The hearing date, time, place, and bills scheduled for consideration by the committee are included.

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                STATE OF MONTANA--BILL STATUS INQUIRY SYSTEM          IMLCP011
            COMMITTEE HEARING SCHEDULE FOR (S) JUDICIARY
CHAIRMAN- BRUCE CRIPPEN                SECRETARY- SUSAN SMITH
      ********** NORMAL COMMITTEE HEARING SCHEDULE INFORMATION **********
ROOM- ROOM 325                  DAYS- M,T,W,T,F     TIME- 10:00 A.M.

DATE * BILL NO *** SPONSOR *********** ADDITIONAL SCHEDULE INFO/SHORT TITLE ***
02/10  SB0218  CHRISTIAENS, CHRIS
   GENERALLY REVISE LANDLORD AND TENANT LAWS
02/10  SB0165  AKLESTAD, GARY
   PROVIDE A DEADLINE FOR FILING OF AMENDED PETITION FOR POSTCONVICTION RELIEF
02/10  HB0150  AHNER, CHRIS
   CLARIFY COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF A YOUTH PLACEMENT COMMITTEE




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Information on all the hearings scheduled in the committees of a particular chamber (House or Senate) on a particular day is also available.

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                STATE OF MONTANA--BILL STATUS INQUIRY SYSTEM          IMLCP006
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****** COMMITTEE ********* BILL NO ********** TENTATIVE SCHEDULE **********
 (S) AGRICULTURE           SB0289  ROOM 413/415            1:00  P.M.
    REVISE PROCESS FOR ISSUING COMPLIANCE ORDERS REQUIRING AG SPILL CLEANUP

 (S) AGRICULTURE           SB0198  ROOM 413/415            1:00  P.M.
    GENERALLY REVISE THE METHOD OF VALUING IRRIGATED AGRICULTURAL LAND
 (S) FINANCE & CLAIMS      HB0005  ROOM 108                8:00  A.M.
    APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING 06/30/97
 (S) JUDICIARY             SB0218  ROOM 325                10:00 A.M.
    GENERALLY REVISE LANDLORD AND TENANT LAWS
 (S) JUDICIARY             SB0165  ROOM 325                10:00 A.M.
    PROVIDE A DEADLINE FOR FILING OF AMENDED PETITION FOR POSTCONVICTION RELIEF
 (S) JUDICIARY             HB0150  ROOM 325                10:00 A.M.
    CLARIFY COMPOSITION AND DUTIES OF A YOUTH PLACEMENT COMMITTEE


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Paper copies of two reports produced from the Bill Status Inquiry System are available for purchase from the Distribution Center. The daily hearing schedules and the daily bill status report are available by subscribing to the legislative proceedings or by direct purchase. The price is set according to the number of pages.

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                    *   1995 MONTANA LEGISLATURE   *
                    *  SENATE DAILY STATUS REPORT  *
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                     GOOD MORNING' TODAY IS  04/07/95

                       THE BOTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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*    NUMBER OF SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED------------------------ 425    *
*    NUMBER OF HOUSE BILLS IN SENATE--------------------------  75    *
*    NUMBER OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION$ INTRODUCED------------  25    *
*    NUMBER OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS IN SENATE--------------   3    *
*    NUMBER OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED------------------   7    *
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*    NUMBER OF SENATE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE--------------- 308    *
*    NUMBER OF HOUSE BILLS TRANSMITTED TO SENATE--------------- 396    *
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Internal Reference List

The Internal Reference List shows all Montana Code Annotated sections that refer to other MCA sections. This list is used in bill drafting and provides the drafter with a quick source for finding all references to a certain section of the code in the event that such a section is to be repealed or amended.

This list is available on disk for a small fee from Legislative Services or online through the State BBS.

(h) The oil and natural gas production taxes distributed under subsection (8)(b) that are required for the 6-mill university levy imposed under 20-25-423 and for the county equalization levies imposed under 20-9-331 and 20-9-333, as those sections read on July 1, 1989, must be remitted by the county treasurer to the state treasurer.

(i) The oil and natural gas production taxes distributed under subsection (8)(e) that are required for the 6-mill university levy imposed under 20-25-423, for the county equalization levies imposed under 20-9-331 and 20-9-333, and for the state equalization aid levy imposed under 20-9-360 must be remitted by the county treasurer to the state treasurer.

(j) The amount of oil and natural gas production taxes remaining after the treasurer has remitted the amounts determined in subsections (8)(h) and (8)(i) is for the exclusive use and benefit of the county and school taxing units.

(9) The department shall remit the amounts to be distributed in subsection (8) to the county treasurer by the following dates:

(a) On or before August 1 of each year, the department shall remit to the county treasurer oil and natural gas production tax payments received for the calendar quarter ending March 31 of the current year.

(b) On or before November 1 of each year, the department shall remit to the county treasurer oil and natural gas production tax payments received for the calendar quarter ending June 30 of the current year.

(c) On or before February 1 of each year, the department shall remit to the county treasurer oil and natural gas production tax payments received for the calendar quarter ending September 30 of the previous year.

(d) On or before May 1 of each year, the department shall remit to the county treasurer oil and natural gas production tax payments received for the calendar quarter ending December 31 of the previous calendar year.

(10) The department shall provide to each county by May 31 of each year the amount of gross taxable value represented by all types of production taxed under 15-36-304 for the previous calendar year multiplied by 60%. The resulting value must be treated as taxable value for county classification purposes and for county bonding purposes."

{*Internal References to 15-36-324:*

7-1-2111	*7-7-2101*	*7-7-2203*	*7-7-2203*
7-14-2524	*7-14-2524*	*7-14-2524*	*7-14-2525*
7-16-2327	*15-1-501*	*15-36-304*	*15-38-202*
82-11-135}			

HISTORY AND FINAL STATUS OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

After session, the History and Final Status of Bills and Resolutions is published. This volume combines the bill status data from the Bill Status Inquiry System with the sponsor list, the index of introduced bills, and an effective date table. A supplement contains corrected voting records for bills and resolutions.

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	4/11	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1		
	4/11	2ND READING CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1 ADOPTED	50	0
	4/12	3RD READING CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1 ADOPTED	49	0
	4/18	SIGNED BY SPEAKER		
	4/18	SIGNED BY PRESIDENT		
	4/18	TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR		
	4/25	SIGNED BY GOVERNOR CHAPTER NUMBER 513 EFFECTIVE DATE: 04/25/95		

HOUSE AND SENATE JOURNALS

The House and Senate Journals provide a record of all actions taken on introduced bills and resolutions. The journals are printed daily during the session, and they set forth the text of communications between houses, committee reports, transmittal correspondence to and from the executive, and votes on motions, amendments, and bills. The journals are not verbatim and do not contain a transcript of debate in the Committees of the Whole. Daily journals can be purchased from the Distribution Center.

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SENATE JOURNAL
EIGHTIETH LEGISLATIVE DAY

Helena, Montana — Senate Chambers
April 7, 1995 — State Capitol

Senate convened at 1:30 p.m. President Brown presiding. Invocation by Father Greg Smith. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Roll call. All members present. Quorum present.

Mr. President: We, your committee on Bills and Journal, having examined the daily journal for the seventy-eighth legislative day, find the same to be correct.

Jenkins, Chairman

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

BILLS AND JOURNAL (Jenkins, Chairman): April 7, 1995
Correctly printed: SB 181 CC, SR 5, SJR 24, SJR 25, HB 209, HB 293, HB 449, HB 524, HB 561, HB 562, HB 565, HB 569, HB 588, HB 591, HB 598, HB 600, HB 602 CC, HJR 9.
Correctly engrossed: HB 5, HB 9, HB 15, HB 17, HB 268, HB 298, HB 416, HB 493, HB 528, HB 576, HB 577, HB 578, HB 584, HB 594.
Correctly enrolled: SB 140, SB 144, SB 200, SB 236, SB 324, SB 349, SB 371, SB 388, SB 402.
Signed by the President at 2:30 p.m., April 6, 1995: SB 278.
Signed by the President at 4:00 p.m., April 6, 1995: SB 76, SB 80, SB 124, SB 158, SB 167, SB 174, SB 193, SB 208, SB 218, SB 222, SB 231, SB 272, SB 295, SB 297, SB 353, SB 373, SB 401, SB 416, SJR 11, SJR 15, SJR 16.

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

The first report published following the completion of a regular session is the Legislative Review. This publication provides a summary of all bills that will become law. The summary of provisions is organized by chapter number, with bill number, chief sponsor, and the title of the bill included.

Appropriation bills and resolutions are listed separately.

The index is divided into a subject index, a code sections affected list, a table of session laws affected, a table of session law to code, a chapter number to bill number and bill number to chapter number list, plus the effective date table, for easy reference. This index is used as a temporary index until the revised MCA index is available.

The Legislative Review is free to all subscribers to the Montana Code Annotated. Nonsubscribers are charged a nominal fee. Contact Legislative Services for further information.

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

54th Legislature
January 2, 1995 to April 13, 1995

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SESSION LAWS

The complete text of each bill that has been passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor is published in hard cover under the title: Laws of Montana (year). The set is popularly referred to as the "Session Laws". Staff of the Secretary of State's office assign each bill a chapter number chronologically, with Chapter 1 designating the first bill passed and signed.

All initiatives, referendums, and constitutional amendments passed by the voters during the interim also appear in the Session Laws.

Subscriptions to the Session Laws are available from Legislative Services.

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CHAPTER NO. 11

[HB 95]

AN ACT REVISING CERTAIN PROVISIONS REGARDING THE SALE OF LIVESTOCK; ALLOWING THE POSTING OF A BOND EQUIVALENT AS A CONDITION OF APPROVAL FOR NONMARKET SALES AND FOR LICENSURE AS A LIVESTOCK DEALER; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK TO CONDUCT A PERIODIC AUDIT OF LIVESTOCK MARKETS AND DEALERS; REQUIRING THAT A NOTICE OF SECURITY AGREEMENT BE SIGNED BY THE AFFECTED DEBTOR OR PROPER LEGAL AUTHORITY; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 81-8-214, 81-8-231, 81-8-271, AND 81-8-302, MCA.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Montana:

Section 1. Section 81-8-214, MCA, is amended to read:

"**81-8-214. Regulation of certain nonmarket sales.** (1) A person not a livestock market operator authorized under this part conducting the sale of livestock in a breed sale, a breed association sale, or at a test station sale, except when all of the livestock are ~~his~~ *owned by that person* and are being sold from ~~his~~ *that person's* own place, shall obtain approval from the department before conducting the sale.

(2) The department, as conditions to granting approval, may require:

(a) the names and addresses of those conducting the sale;

(b) the date and time when and the place where the sale will be conducted;

(c) a detailed statement of the assets and liabilities of the persons conducting the sale;

(d) the establishment of a custodial account into which all money received for the sale of livestock must be deposited;

(e) the posting of a reasonable bond *or its equivalent* in an amount determined by the department;

MONTANA CODE ANNOTATED

The Montana Code Annotated is the systematic arrangement of all permanent state statutes (laws) currently in effect in Montana. The MCA is published in two parts: the code itself and the annotations to the code. A new edition of the code is printed every odd-numbered year, with new laws added, repealed laws deleted, and amended statutes updated. The Legislative Services legal staff is responsible for the codification process.

An entry in the MCA includes the statute, its legislative history, and any compiler's comments and cross-references to related code sections.

The second part of the MCA, the annotations, incorporates background materials relating to the statutes, including pertinent official comments, amendment summaries, case notes, references to administrative rules, digests of Attorney General's opinions, and citations to law review articles, bar publications, and legal encyclopedias. An explanation of each of these items is found in the preface to Volume I of the annotations.

The code and the annotations can be purchased from Legislative Services. The MCA and annotations are available in hard copy, on compact disk, on the State BBS, and on the Internet. Certain MCA titles are printed separately and can be purchased in pamphlet format. Annotation titles can be purchased individually in pamphlet format or as a complete set.

149 SOVEREIGNTY AND JURISDICTION 2-1-402

2-1-402. Legislative declaration. (1) (a) In enacting this part, the legislature employs its legislative authority to establish that the people of the state of Montana, acting through their elected officials in state government, have the responsibility and authority to establish policy in and for Montana pertaining to federal programs mandated in federal statutes.

(b) The intent of the legislature is to ensure the primacy of the state of Montana's legal and political authority to implement in and for Montana the policy mandated by federal statutes and to vigorously challenge and scrutinize the extent and scope of authority asserted by federal executive branch agencies when federal agency actions and interpretations are inconsistent with Montana policy and exceed the lawful authority of the federal government or are not required by federal law.

(c) In this regard, the Montana legislature finds and declares that:

(i) the power to implement federal policies in and for Montana is central to the ability of the people of Montana to govern themselves under a federal system of government; and

INTERIM DIRECTORY OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

The Interim Directory of Legislative Committees contains a summary of those joint resolutions requesting interim studies that were chosen for legislative study. Membership for each interim committee is given, along with the Legislative Services staff member assigned to the committee.

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Committee on
Public Employee Retirement Systems

Statutory Citation: Title 5, chapter 21, MCA and Chapter 552, Laws of 1995

For the third interim in succession, the Legislature has approved an interim committee to study public employee retirement systems. Chapter 549, Laws of 1993, created a statutory committee to review and evaluate all legislative proposals affecting the state's 12 public employee retirement systems. Other Committee duties included reviewing the fiscal status of the retirement systems and developing sound retirement policies for recommendation to the Legislature. Chapter 450, Laws of 1993, requested that the Committee on Public Employee Retirement Systems study equitable, reasonable, and soundly funded guaranteed annual postretirement benefit adjustments for members of the statewide public employee retirement systems.

For the 1995-97 interim, the Committee on Public Employee Retirement Systems has an appropriation of up to $13,800 from the pension trust funds, and the Legislative Services Division is authorized to accept for Committee use any contributions of up to $10,000.

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REVENUE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Committee to Meet October 18...The Revenue Oversight Committee is scheduled to meet Friday, October 18. The morning session will be devoted to a joint presentation by the National Conference of State Legislatures and the accounting firm Delloite-Touche on electric utility restructuring and implications for state tax policy. Please note that the Committee will meet at 9 a.m., in the Bollinger Room located in the Public Service Commission (Vista Building), 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, MT.

The Committee will reconvene at 1 p.m. in Room 437 of the State Capitol. The Committee will consider draft legislation regarding the taxation of motor vehicles. The Committee will also review the scope of tax agreements entered into by the Department of Revenue.

For further information about the meeting, please contact Jeff Martin at the Legislative Services Division, (406)444-3064.

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